REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

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AGENDA SECTION: CONSENT		ORIGINATING DEPT: Public Works	ITEM NO.
ITEM DESCRIPTION:	Contract with Minnesota Valley Testing Laboratories to Provide Environmental Monitoring Services at the Former Landfill		PREPARED BY: B. Huberty
	s an ongoing obligation to conduct		

inspections at the former landfill located north of the Water Reclamation Plant. Over the past five years the City has contracted with Minnesota Valley Testing Laboratories (MVTL) to complete this work. MVTL provides a unique full-service package in that they have highly trained field and laboratory staff who cooperatively conduct both types of monitoring, site inspections, laboratory analysis, and report preparation. A measure of their expertise is demonstrated by the fact that the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency hires them as a contract provider for the Closed Landfill program. Additionally, MVTL has provided excellent service for a very reasonable cost.

Our five-year contract with MVTL for the VIC site expired 12/31/02. Staff are recommending that MVTL be granted another five-year contract at a total cost of \$6,855. The cost for Year #1 will be \$4,435 and the cost for years #2 through #5 will each be \$605. The price difference is because our ground water monitoring requirements are slated to end after this year, assuming MPCA is satisfied with the data findings to date. Only annual gas monitoring and site inspections remain in years 2-5. Funding for these activities is included in the approved 2003 budget within Engineering Administration (42010-81390). It is in the City's best interest to provide continuity in the inspection, sampling, and analytical services for this site.

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve the five-year contract with MVTL for environmental monitoring services at the former landfill for a total cost of \$6,855.

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